Section #3

PATENT ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: 052144-5001

# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
Steven LaPierre JAN 1 6 2001	)	
Application No.: 09/679,813	)	Examiner: Unassigned
Filed: October 5, 2000	)	Group Art Unit: 2681
For: A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR	)	
ELECTRONIC TRADING OF ASSETS	)	
Commissioner for Patents		
BOX MISSING PARTS		
Washington, D.C. 20231		

### RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

2. This replies to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application (PTO-1533) mailed November 16, 2000.

A copy of the Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application-Filing Date Granted (Form PTO-1533) is enclosed.

- 3. Declaration Or Oath
  - [X] No declaration or oath was filed. Enclosed is the original Declaration.
    - [ ] The specification attached to the declaration is a copy of the specification and any amendments thereto which were filed in the PTO to obtain the filing date.
  - [ ] The declaration or oath which was filed was determined to be defective. A new original Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
- 4. English Translation of Non-English Language Papers

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[ ] Submitted herewith is a verified English translation of the non-English language application papers as originally filed. It is requested that this translation be used as the copy for examination purposes in the PTO.

Also enclosed is the Verification of Translation Document

- 5. Small Entity Statement(s)
  - [X] Verified Statement(s) that this is a filing by a small entity
    [X] is attached
    - [ ] was filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6. Fee Calculation

Basic Fee: Patent Application-\$710.00 Design Application-\$320.00			\$ 710.00	
	Number Filed	Number Extra	at a Rate of	\$ 710
Total Claims	19- 20 =	0	\$18.00 each=	\$
Independent Claims	3 - 3 =	0	\$80.00 each=	\$ 0.00
Multiple dependent claim(s), if any \$270.00		\$ 0.00		
Missing Parts Surcharge Fee \$130.00		\$ 130.00		
SUB-TOTAL =			\$ 840.00	
Reduction by 1/2 for filing by a small entity			\$ 420.00	
SUB-TOTAL =			\$ 420.00	
Fee For Application Filed With A Non-English Specification (37 CFR 1.17(k) and 1.52(d) \$130.00			+	
Fee For Processing and retention of application (37 CFR 1.21(1) and 1.53(d) \$130.00		\$130.00	+	
TOTAL FILING FEE =			\$ 420.00	

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#### 7. Extension of Time

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) apply.

[] Applicants petition for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 CFR 1.17(a)-(d), for the total number of months checked below:

Total months requested	Fee for extension	[fee for Small Entity]
[ ] one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
[ ] two months	\$ 390.00	\$190.00
[ ] three months	\$ 890.00	\$445.00
[ ] four months	\$1,390.00	\$695.00

Extension of time fee due with this request:

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If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a Petition therefor.

- [X] Applicants believe that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.
- 8. Fee Payment

- [X] Please charge the total fees due \$\frac{420.00}{2000}\$ to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310, representing, \$\frac{5355.00}{2000}\$ Application filing fee, and Missing Parts fee \$\frac{565.00}{2000}\$.
- [ ] Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_representing the filing fee.
- [X] Except for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. §1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R §1.16 and §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0310.

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9. Additional papers enclosed.

[]	Preliminary Amendment
[]	Information Disclosure Statement
[]	Form PTO-1449
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[ ] Citations

[ ] Declaration of Biological Deposit

Submission of "Sequence Listing", computer readable copy and/or amendment pertaining thereto for biotechnology invention containing nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence.

Respectfully submitted,

MORGAN, LEWIS & BOCKIUS LLP

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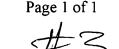
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### NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

### FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

#### Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The balance due by applicant is \$ 840.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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-PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

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